

MUDDY WATERS

Water in Waters Hall safe to drink, despite discoloration, taste

Karen Sarita Ingram
staff liaison

There are water fountains in buildings all over campus for students, faculty and staff to get a drink. Occasionally, a thirsty person on campus is treated to an unpleasant surprise: brown water.

C. Michael Smith, professor of entomology, said he has observed discolored water in Waters Hall.

"I stopped drinking it a long time ago," Smith said. "I don't know anybody who's ever been sick from it; it's just unpleasant."

Ronald Bridges, radiation safety officer and sanitarian for K-State's Department of Environmental Health and Safety, said they have received complaints of discolored or bad-tasting water from Waters Hall regularly for about ten years.

Umberger and other older buildings have also been reported to have discolored water, and nearly always around this time of year.

"It certainly is not a new problem," Bridges said.

While the water may look questionable, Bridges said it is not harmful. The Department of Environmental Health and Safety runs tests every time there is a complaint to check for bacteriological contamination, and they have never found anything harmful. There is naturally occurring bacteria in the water, but it is not pathogenic, meaning it is not harmful.

For several years, tests were conducted monthly on the drinking water on campus to ensure there were no changes or other indications of a break in the line or other issues. In 2011, at least six tests were conducted over a period of seven months on drinking fountains in Waters Hall. On two different occasions the water was noted to be "rusty" colored.

"It really is unappetizing looking," Bridges said. "My opinion: I wouldn't drink it either when it looks like that."

The discoloration is likely caused by sediment buildup in the water lines, which tends to be more common in older water pipes. The best way to remedy the problem, Bridges said, is to just let the water run for a



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A filter on a faucet in the Entomology staff break room currently keeps the water clean for staff to make coffee. Despite the discoloration, K-State officials have deemed the water safe to drink.

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UNREGULATED SUBSTANCES			REGULATED SUBSTANCES		
Substance	Level Detected	SMCL	Substance	Level Detected	MCL
Calcium	44.6 ppm	200 ppm	Arsenic	1.3 ppb	10 ppb
Chloride	28 ppm	250 ppm	Barium	0.05 ppm	2 ppm
Hardness	110 ppm	400 ppm	Chloarmines	2.6 ppm	4 ppm
Iron	.046 ppm	.3 ppm	Chromium	2.2 ppb	100 ppb
Magnesium	8.6 ppm	150 ppm	Fluoride	1.01 ppm	4 ppm
Manganese	.005 ppm	.05 ppm	Nitrate	0.19 ppm	10 ppm
Phosphorus	.2 ppm	5 ppm	Selenium	1.3 ppb	50 ppb
Potassium	7.1 ppm	100 ppm	KEY		
Silica	15 ppm	50 ppm			
Sodium	30 ppm	100 ppm			
Solids, Total Dissolved	230 ppm	500 ppm			
Sulfate	76 ppm	250 ppm			
			MCL = Maximum Containment Level		
			SMCL = Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level		
			ppm = parts per million		

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Weber rewarded for successful first season

Mark Kern
sports editor

After leading the K-State Wildcats to their first conference title in 36 years, head coach Bruce Weber was rewarded on Wednesday with a contract extension.

The extension will keep Bruce Weber in Manhattan through the 2017-2018 season.

Weber will be paid \$1.75 million next season, with a \$100,000 increase each year following that.

Weber said he is thankful for all of the hard work that the everyone in the program put in, saying it was a complete team-effort.

"Whenever you have success, it is a direct reflection of your team and staff, and I have said all along we had great chemistry between our players and staff all year," he said. "I'm so proud to be associated with this group of players and coaches and I can't thank them enough."

Hayden Minor, junior in business administration and avid K-State basketball fan, is glad K-State decided to resign Webber.

"By winning a share of the Big 12 championship during his first year as the coach, Weber has set high hopes and expectations for the future mens basketball seasons. By winning that title, I have confidence that K-State basketball will continue its success from this past season."

Weber said the team is ready to build off the success from last season and will bring back three starters back from last year's 27-8 mark.



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Bruce Weber, shown above with senior Jordan Henriquez, signed a contract extension that will keep him at K-State for another five years. He will be paid \$1.75 million next year.

Fake Patty's Day violence cause for concern, says City Commission

Sarah Burns
contributing writer

The annual festivity of Fake Patty's Day came and went this year amidst excitement and controversy. Students were warned about the possibility of overcrowding, public intoxication and acts of violence prior to the event, but Usha Reddi, newly elected City Commissioner, believes that violence on Fake Patty's Day is an issue that needs to be addressed.

"In the future, I would like to see more of a collaborative effort between Manhattan schools," Reddi said. "such as addressing how alcohol affects girls versus boys — becoming informed about the chemical makeup of alcohol. It is all about educating our youth."

Fake Patty's Day in Manhattan is one of the most celebrated festivals attended by college students in and around the Manhattan area. Some students travel from neighboring states to participate.

Due in large part to the power of social media, Fake Patty's Day has developed a momentum all its own as a celebration that allows students to let out energy and gain a respite from the school semester. Hoards of green-clad students head for the bars as they open their doors at 9 a.m. for the event each year. However, over the past few years, the Manhattan City Commission has expressed concern about the violence that occurs as a side effect of the festivities.

A total of 115 arrests and 225 open container citations were issued over Fake Patty's Day weekend this year, in addition to 22 requests for emergency medical services called in relation to the event. Accompanying these violent acts were issues of property damage, fire

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Greeks Got Talent showcases various abilities

Jeana Lawrence
staff writer

Members of the greek community on campus performed various skills in a Union Ballroom that was filled to capacity last night during the Greeks Got Talent competi-

tion. In addition to the talent portion there was also a spirit competition, and homecoming pairings for 2013 were announced.

"I thought it was extremely successful," said Lizzy Petite, member of Kappa Delta, who led the event, and sophomore in human re-

sources. "We had a couple of technical difficulties, but it was still a lot of fun."

The different greek chapters were split into various teams for Greek Week, represented by the colors lavender, purple, light grey, dark grey, white and black. These

teams had members sign up for acts to perform in the talent show. Members who didn't perform showed their support by clapping and cheering.

The first act consisted of a

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The "Dark Grey" team performs their dance routine Wednesday night inside a packed Grand Ballroom in the Student Union. The team won first place at the in the talent show Greeks Got Talent, which featured many different artists and groups among the greek community performing songs and dance routines.

GREEK WEEK TEAMS
Lavender: Zeta Tau Alpha, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Tau Omega, Alpha Gamma Rho, Sigma Chi, Delta Lambda Phi
Purple: Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Lambda Chi Alpha, Delta Sigma Phi, Sigma Pi, Alpha Kappa Lambda, Kappa Sigma
Light Gray: Kappa Delta, Sigma Kappa, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Acacia, Delta Chi, Triangle
Dark Gray: Alpha Xi Delta, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Kappa Alpha, FIJI, Theta Xi, Beta Sigma Psi
White: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Pi, Gamma Rho Lambda, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Nu, Tau Kappa Epsilon
Black: Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta, Sigma Phi Epsilon, FarmHouse, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Kappa Theta

4-11 CRYPTOQUIP

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K-State sports teams receive athletic, academic honors

Mark Kern
sports editor

Many K-State student athletes have earned recognition this year, both for their success in academics and their achievements in athletics.

WOMEN’S GOLF:
The K-state women’s golf team had five members put on the All-Academic Big 12 team.

First team:
Senior Hanna Roos
Senior Laura Hildebrandt
Junior Gianna Misenhelter
Sophomore Carly Ragains

Second team:
Senior Whitney Pyle

Head coach Kristi Knight said she was proud of her team, nothing that it has been a tough season due to traveling and weather.

“This is a great accomplishment by these ladies,” Knight said. “Each semester it is always demanding, but this one has been especially so with multiple cancelled return flights due to weather or tournament conditions. I am very proud of my entire team for their academic efforts.”

The Wildcats will be back in action April 19-21, as they travel to Rhodes, Iowa for the Big 12 Championship at the Harvester Golf Club.

MEN’S GOLF:

First team:
Senior Curtis Yonke
Junior Daniel Wood
Sophomore Kyle Weldon

Second team:
Senior Ben Juffer

Much like coach Knight, men’s head coach Tim Norris said that it has been a tough year for his athletes, but that it goes to show the hard work they’ve put in.

“With the amount of travel and the number of tournaments that these four have participated in this season, their ability to keep up with their academics is a real source of pride, not just for them, but also for myself,” Norris said. “It has always been part of the culture of our team to put academics first and have golf a close second. For those guys to prioritize their days and put in as much time as they do on the golf course and then in the classroom is special.”

The men will be back in action April 22-24, as they play in the 2013 Big 12 Championship at Prairie Dunes Country Club in Hutchinson, Kan.

TENNIS:
On Wednesday, the K-State women’s team received the ITA National Team Sportsmanship award for the month of April.

Head coach Steve Bietau was proud of his team, understanding the great honor in receiving the award.

“There are so many teams out



Members of the K-State equestrian team take a break from action at Timbercreek Stables. The team will compete next in the NCEA Championships in Waco, Texas April 18-20.

there that compete hard with great sportsmanship, for ours to be recognized like this is truly an honor,” Bietau said.

The Wildcats will host No. 15 Texas Tech on Friday, while hosting No. 29 Texas on Saturday. Both matches will start at 1:00 p.m.

EQUESTRIAN:
The K-State equestrian team, currently ranked No. 5 in the country, had four athletes put on the All-American team on Tuesday.

Seniors Meredith Finch, Hannah Ribera and Kali Yates

and junior Rachel Webster were all announced to the team, giving K-State 10 riders to receive this honor in the past three seasons.

The Wildcats will be back in action April 18-20 in Waco, Texas, to participate in the NCEA championship.

Golfer Ben Juffer finds home away from home in Little Apple

David Embers
staff writer

Ben Juffer first picked up a golf club when he was 3 years old. He was the self-proclaimed co-pilot whenever his dad would drive the golf cart, and occasionally, little Ben got to hit a few shots. As it turned out, he was pretty darn good. So good, in fact, that by third grade he was playing in tournaments. Golf was not always Juffer’s top priority, but in the back of his mind, he always

knew he would end up on the course.

“Golf has always been my favorite sport,” said Juffer, a senior in finance at K-State. “Growing up I played a lot of baseball in the summer so I didn’t have much time for golf, but once I started junior high I decided to quit baseball and focus solely on golf.”

It wasn’t an easy decision for Juffer, but it was something that he needed to do. Golf just came too naturally to ignore. He had undeniable talent.

“Out of all the sports I have played, for some reason, golf has always come the easiest for me, and I think that’s why I liked playing it so much,” he said.

Juffer’s love for golf ultimately made him a U.S. Junior Amateur. It seemed as though collegiate golf was a very real possibility. Being from Des Moines, Iowa, however, his collegiate destination was still up in the air.

“When I first started thinking about schools I really

thought I would stay in Iowa,” he said.

Then along came K-State men’s golf coach Tim Norris. Norris convinced Juffer to make a visit to Manhattan. He knew if he could get Juffer to take a look, the Little Apple would seal the deal, and Norris was right.

“I think the overall family atmosphere of both the team and the city of Manhattan were big factors,” Juffer said. “Also, the fact that coach Norris was such a successful player

on the PGA Tour was huge. He knows what it takes to make it to the next level.”

According to Juffer, adjusting to life in Kansas was not as easy as he imagined. Moving hundreds of miles away was a difficult change that forced Juffer to make new friends and adapt to new surroundings. He did, however, have one saving grace.

“The guys on the team definitely made it a lot easier for me,” Juffer said. “They were great.”

Fast-forward four years and Juffer has only a couple of tournaments left in his collegiate career. He has had ups and downs throughout his time at K-State, but overall, Juffer said, he likes the direction his game is headed.

“I feel like my golf career has gone well so far,” he said. “Every year my goal is to make my game better than it was the previous year. I think so far I

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Panel discusses retention of international students

Nicolas Wahl
staff writer

The growth of K-State's international student population and their integration into the culture and fabric of the university has been a key element in K-State's 2025 plan. On Wednesday night, students and faculty came together for a panel discussion focusing on the relations between international students and the university.

The discussion, "International Student Growth Over the Last 150 years," took place in Forum Hall at the K-State Student Union as a part of the university's International Week Celebration. After a brief introduction of the panelists, who were each presented with framed certificates for participating, discussion began.

Panelist Marcelo Sabates, associate provost of international programs at K-State, told the audience that unlike many publicly stated goals involving large companies or universities, K-State's 2025 plan and its focus on international students was both useful and absolutely necessary.

"When you look at the schools in the No. 45 to 50 range [of public research universities], those schools are comparatively higher than K-State in international student rankings," Sabates said.

He stated that the top 50 schools had at least 12 percent of their faculty, undergraduate and graduate students reporting as international. K-State, which has seen its international presence rise from 7.2 percent a few years ago to 9 percent this year, is still working towards a difficult, but accomplishable task.

Sabates then continued to inform his fellow panelists and the audience about the ways that K-State looks to improve its numbers and quality in international students. Retention was an area of pride, as K-State's English language program has helped achieve an 88 percent retention rate for Chinese students from their freshman through senior years.

This retention, and continuously broad recruiting efforts geared to tap into international student pools in Latin America, Northern Africa and India were seen as integral to K-State's future success. Diverse recruitment and an "anyone anywhere" philosophy, as Sabates put it, are key.

The panel agreed that despite a strong international presence among faculty and graduate students, undergraduate students and their immersion and integration in K-State culture was a need for focus.

"If we didn't have the grad students we have at KSU, we would be closing the univer-

sity," Sabates said, noting that certain departments are 98 percent international at the graduate and faculty level.

K-State.

Panelist Jessie Kwatamdia, a K-State alumna ('87, '97) who now serves as the di-

"When you look at the schools in the No. 45 to 50 range [of public research universities], those schools are comparatively higher than K-State in international student rankings."

Marcelo Sabates
Associate Provost of International Programs at K-State

Panelists followed by answering a series of questions about student relations and their own experiences from when they were students at

rector of philanthropy at Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., said she remembered a family atmosphere at K-State as far back as the 1980s.

"At times Jardine felt like a village in itself, there were so many families there," she said.

An audience member questioned technology's role in making it tougher for neighborly interaction not only among international students, but also between international and domestic students. Sabates noted that this was not just a K-State problem, but also a national problem.

Panelist Pradeep Malreddy, instructor in the College of Veterinary Medicine who attended K-State as both an undergraduate and a graduate student, noted that the cultural divide was less prevalent among undergrads com-

pared to grad students. Time on campus and time to get comfortable, as well as more classes with domestic students was a factor.

Regardless of the strides made, goals for the future, whether part of K-State 2025 or not, all agreed that the international student body holds a special and important role in shaping K-State.

"It enriches the culture of K-State and Manhattan," said panelist Josephine Boac, research associate in biological and agricultural engineering. "As it grows, it welcomes the incoming students and gives them a 'home away from home.'"



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Qian Zhu, Bo Yu and Zhichao Yu, international students from China and seniors in mechanical engineering, enjoy Panada Express and each other's company in the Union food court on Wednesday, April 10, 2013. Currently, international students make up about 9 percent of K-State's population.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ethnic studies department should strive to retain all black faculty

Spencer Wood,

This letter is in response to your editorial in The Collegian on Tuesday, April 9th, "American Ethnic Studies growing, not diminishing." In particular, we would like to address your claim that "No contracts are being terminated, and two of the three annual instructors are being offered contracts for the fall." As of 9:30 a.m., hours after your article was published, not one of the three women in question had been offered a contract for the fall semester, or even told that they would be getting one. It is incredibly irresponsible and unprofessional for an Interim Department Head to release false information to the University community in an attempt to discredit us. We recognize that these alleged positions are a temporary solution used to mask the termination of the three African-American faculty in American Ethnic Studies.

We can deduce now from your letter that you and other administrators are supposedly doing something for two instructors, but not the third, Ms. JohnElla Holmes. This is unacceptable. We want a strategy that retains all three women for this university.

We know that Ms. JohnElla Holmes was given a terminal contract that ends her employment on June 8th, 2013. However you want to question our wording, the outcome in her situation is that she has no employment at K-State as of that date.

Mr. Wood, you state, "While the numbers presented by the BSU are staggering, they are hardly unique to K-State. African-American representation in higher education is a huge concern nationally." Should we really immerse our local concerns about retaining Black faculty in the national concern about Black faculty, without acting in a culturally responsible way locally? We do not need the stalling tactics of a committee or the run-around we hear people get in Affirmative Action to do the right thing for K-State. Based on the facts stated above, we are beginning to think that the College of Arts & Sciences just does not want a certain person. If this is the case, why can't we look for placement elsewhere in the university?

We want a strategy that retains all three women for the university. We especially need Ms. JohnElla Holmes because not only does she teach us, she advises us and

works with us on evenings and weekends. She is one of the main go-to people for all multicultural students. This situation with her is especially painful to us.

You are increasing the number of core faculty in American Ethnic Studies by decreasing the number of Black faculty. We want an inclusive strategy that retains all three women and not a divisive strategy that retains two, but not the third. Mr. Wood, we recognize that your research interests lie in race and inequality. We also recognize that you are the Interim Director of a department that teaches equality. If you are serious about supporting the recruitment and retention of Black faculty, then you should have the moral obligation to spearhead a committee to solve this immediate concern, and we will volunteer to serve.

Anita Easterwood
BSU President (2012-2013)

Marcus Bragg
Incoming BSU President (2013-2014)

Bronson Blackwell
Immediate Past President of BSU (2011-2012), BSU Black Alumni Liaison

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

K-State administration committed to diversity in faculty appointments

Members of K-State's Black Student Union raised a valid point in their recent guest editorial calling for more diverse faculty and staff members. Please know the university is committed to increasing the number of faculty members from under-represented groups.

There has been considerable discussion on campus considering the status of the American Ethnic Studies program and we want to provide accurate information. The university is taking steps to increase staffing in the program, including hiring a full-time director. National searches have been conducted for this position and an additional tenure-track faculty position; these searches attracted excellent pools of candidates.

As with all personnel decisions, it is inappropriate to discuss specifics until the hiring process is complete. Please be assured the university is committed to bringing full-time, highly qualified faculty members to this important area of study. Next fall we will have a full-time director, two additional tenure-track faculty members, and two instructors. An additional search for a tenure-track faculty member is

scheduled for next year.

There is misinformation being disseminated about the status of current faculty members who serve on annual appointments. These appointments run from August to May each academic year, with contract letters being issued in June for the subsequent year, normally after our budgets are codified. While some appointees may have been notified verbally of upcoming appointments, the timing remains standard for the entire university. We ask that the campus community respect the process and avoid engaging in speculation or rumor about personnel decisions.

The issue of recruiting and retaining more diverse faculty and staff members is larger than any one program, department or college. We have established diversity as a common element within K-State 2025 and it serves as an integral part of our thematic goal for faculty and staff development.

The 2025 process is based on metrics and making an honest assessment about where we stand. Our historical record with regard to the hiring and retention of diverse faculty members tells a clear story. We can, and must, do better.

As a university community, we cannot expect to follow the same practices as the past and expect different results. We welcome dialogue with the Black Student Union and other groups that want to be part of the solution. To this end, we set a meeting for April 23 at 5:15 p.m. in Union 227 and look forward to discussing these issues with our students.

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Humane Society seeks to educate owners, benefit pets

Kaitlyn Dewell
staff writer

Every year, approximately 5 to 7 million companion animals enter shelters across the nation due to abuse, neglect or abandonment. Of those animals, an estimated 3 to 4 million are euthanized annually due to a lack of facility space and interested families to adopt them.

The Riley County Humane Society is determined to help change those statistics. Formed in 1975, the RCHS is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that was originally founded on the principle of educating the general population on responsible pet ownership.

In 2001, the group enacted an adoption program through the dedication of foster homes in the Riley County area, in addition to their education effort. The group does not have a central adoption facility, but relies

on area residents to help foster animals until a “forever” home can be found.

Lisa Pohlman, veterinarian and president of the Riley County Humane Society, said that the organization’s capabilities have developed extensively since its start nearly four decades ago.

“It was initially an educational organization,” Pohlman said. “Now, we can foster and re-home dogs and cats. We have a trap-neuter-return program for feral cats, and we can provide financial assistance as well for spay and neuter or medical bills that someone maybe can’t afford.”

Pohlman also said that teaching pet owners the importance of spaying and neutering their dogs and cats is one of the most vital elements of the RCHS education.

“As a veterinarian, I’ve seen a lot of problems regarding pet over-population,” Pohlman

said. “A lot of really healthy, really nice pets are euthanized every year. Until we can teach people that spay and neuter are needed, we aren’t going to deal with the problem. So that’s why it’s so important to me, because I’ve seen so much of the problem and the unnecessary death.”

Through their adoption program alone the RCHS is able to help an average of 250 animals per year.

“We have animals that come to us from a variety of situations,” said Felicia Benedetto, RCHS fundraising chair and PetCo Care & Comfort coordinator. “Anything from ‘I’m moving and I neglected to find a place that allows animals,’ to ‘I’m allergic,’ or ‘I’m pregnant.’ We even have animals we take from people who are getting older and are going into homes where they can’t necessarily take their pets with them.”

Benedetto also said that

sometimes, the organization coordinates with area animal control to help remove animals from harmful environments since a witness is required for pet confiscation.

“We’ve had situations of animals who have been reported to us that have been neglected or abused, things like that,” Benedetto said. “We can’t physically do anything because we’re a rescue group, but we work in conjunction with animal control, so if somebody reports something, we’ll go over and see what’s going on so that we can act as the witness.”

While no statistics were available in regard to the number of abuse and neglect cases the Riley County Humane Society has responded to, Benedetto maintains that numbers are of little importance in these situations.

“In my own personal opinion, it’s a big issue regardless of the number,” she said.

Because the Riley County Humane Society doesn’t operate a central shelter facility, foster home volunteers are one of the organization’s most important elements. This is a great way for interested K-State students to donate their time to the cause, Benedetto said.

“A pretty decent number of our foster homes are actually K-State students,” Benedetto said. “We have an application for anyone who’s interested in fostering so that we have an idea of their home situation and what they’re willing to foster. Obviously, we want to make sure we’re not letting animals into a home that’s not suitable.”

Jason Belt, RCHS secretary and “foster dad” for the program, said he feels fostering animals is a great alternative for students who are looking for the company of a pet without some of the burdens that permanent ownership may bring. The Humane Society funds

expenses like vet bills and boarding costs during short vacations.

“It’s something that’s great, especially for K-State students who are tight on funding and don’t have a lot of extra money,” Belt said. “It’s a wonderful opportunity for them to basically be pet owners. They don’t have to worry about a lot of the issues that they normally would, so I think that’s a really attractive part of it.”

In the end, Belt said that the most heart-warming part of the foster program is knowing that his time and effort is helping to save animals’ lives.

“It makes my day when I hear that one of the cats that I fostered has gotten adopted,” Belt said. “It’s just knowing that there are so many good people out there who want to help, and knowing that your efforts can help change the life of an animal. All of that is just fantastic.”

GREEK | Hip-hop dancers take first

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Whitney Houston cover performed by girls dressed in black leather jackets and afro wigs. This was the first of many singing acts, in which performers either sang to a track or with guitar accompaniment. One singing group consisted of Tyler Johnson, member of Delta Upsilon and junior in management, Ellen Collingwood, member of Chi Omega and sophomore in advertising and public relations, and Devin Rudicel, member of Delta Upsilon and freshman in public relations. The trio played a mash-up of their favorite break-up songs. They placed second in the talent competition.

“It was a lot of fun,” Johnson said. “We got to showcase our abilities and had the greek community hear our talent for the first time.”

Along with singing, there were several dance routines that varied in style. One group dressed in black hoodies and masks and danced to a mixture of pop and rap music. At the beginning of the routine, members dressed as nerds, with glasses and suspenders, and started off with moves like the “Sprinkler.” However, they quickly changed to hip-hop

songs and changed the style of their dance. The group won first place in the talent competition.

“I was so surprised by how talented our students are,” said Jenni Jones, assistant director of Greek Affairs and a judge for the talent competition. “You would never know it until the students are on stage. It was awesome.”

As a judge, Jones added that competitors were judged based on stage presence, talent, and creativity.

The final act of the night was a piano accompaniment to a Poi light show. Poi is a type of Maori dance found in New Zealand, usually performed with fire. However, due to potential fire hazards, Lucas Allen, member of Beta Theta Pi and junior in education, decided to do the routine with glowing balls attached to a rubber cord.

“We did better than I expected,” Allen said. “Every talent just got better and better and it blew me away.”

Allen’s partner was Tyler Brown, fellow member of Beta Theta Pi and junior in mechanical engineering. Brown played an original composition on piano while Allen whirled the balls around in the darkness of the Ballroom.

Allen and Brown were awarded third place.

“I had no idea what to do for this act,” Brown said. “I kept putting it off until I just borrowed my friend’s piano this afternoon and just whipped it out.”

Collingwood also said her team did not prepare much for the show. For their act, Collingwood had an idea of what the mash-up would sound like with popular songs that would please the crowd.

“It was just fun to jam out, and I think it worked for us,” Collingwood said.

In addition to the talent show, there was also a spirit competition between the different teams based on overall team involvement, support of team members and uniqueness of cheers. In the spirit competition, dark grey was awarded third place, lavender was awarded second and light grey was awarded first.

“I was very impressed that they could sustain that energy for so long,” said Andrea Brown, associate director of Greek Affairs and a judge for the spirit competition. “I was really impressed with the students. I work with them every day and they have these talents in their back pocket.”

VIOLENCE | RCPD educates students

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department regulations and house parties. In response, the City Commission is working to find solutions to accommodate everyone.

The commission is concerned about both the physical violence that is reported and also about the sexual violence that often is not. For various reasons, students often do not report this kind of violence until months later.

The issue of binge drinking is also a concern.

“We need to educate students about the difference between binge drinking and social drinking,” Reddi said. “In society, kids will do as they do, but we need to

be an outlet for them. The RCPD always does a good job of educating the students before this day on the rules and regulations of the law.”

Using e-mail, posters, social media sites and word of mouth, students who participate in Fake Patty’s Day are provided information prior to the day about the risks associated with the event and strategies for being prepared and making smart choices.

Eli Schooley, student body president-elect and senior in political science, said he appreciated the RCPD in this respect.

“The Riley County Police Department does a really good job of showcasing the rules of Fake Patty’s Day,” Schooley said. “They are

always public and upfront. They make sure students are aware of the rules and take precautions.”

Michelle Simmons, sophomore in secondary education, said she is glad that there are people out there who are concerned for students’ safety.

“I feel like violence is increasing every year, and that can be scary for students. But people are out there that care about the safety of students,” Simmons said. “I know there is a way to have fun and be careful all at the same time.”

Editor’s Note: This article was completed as an assignment for a class in the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

JUFFER | K-Stater hopes to turn pro

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have been able to do that.”

Juffer is now a co-captain for K-State and has collected a trove of memorable moments as a member of the men’s golf team.

“My favorite golf moment at K-State was last year’s Wyoming Cowboy Classic,” Juffer said. “It was my first individual college victory, and we also

won as a team. It was definitely one of the most fun weeks of golf I have ever had.”

Beyond golf, Juffer is enjoying K-State’s recent athletic success just like other Wildcat fans.

“I loved watching this past football season,” he said. “It was so fun to watch our football team win week in and week out and bring home the

Big 12 Championship.”

Juffer is hoping to finish this season strong, then complete his career as a student. He plans on graduating with a degree in finance, but he has every intention of pursuing a different dream.

“I plan on turning pro and trying to achieve my dream career of playing on the PGA tour,” Juffer said.

WATER | City water tested regularly

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minute to flush out the buildup and it becomes clear and tastes better. If the water is continuously brown or has other issues, even after running for several minutes, it could indicate a problem, and should be reported immediately. So far, he said, this has never happened.

“Half the time, by the time we get there, it’s cleared up,” Bridges said. “Sometimes it stays brown for a day or two.”

Smith said he suggested the Department of Entomology get a water filter for the break room. The filter is used most often when faculty and staff make coffee.

“I think it’s helping some,” Smith said. “It gets clogged up pretty quickly.”

Steven Galitzer, director of environmental health and

safety, said tests were done in 1989 to ensure there was no lead from the pipes or solder leeching into the drinking water, and they found the lead content in the water was no different in Waters Hall than it was for the rest of the city. Waters Hall, like all buildings on campus, uses Manhattan’s city water supply.

Federal law requires all community water systems to be tested regularly, and to provide customers with a Consumer Confidence Report every year by July 1. The report is designed to inform customers of the quality of their drinking water. The City of Manhattan has their 2011 CCR available on their website at <http://www.ci.manhattan.ks.us/>.

Abdu Durar, environmental compliance manager for Manhattan Public Works, said

they expect the 2012 report to be available online in about a month.

According to the 2011 report, Manhattan’s city water supply contained only 10 of the 87 contaminants regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency. All of the contaminants present in the city’s water, including lead, were well within safety regulations. There were no violations in drinking water standards in any of the tests conducted in 2011.

Bridges said that even though the Department of Environmental Health and Safety has not found anything wrong with the water in Waters Hall, all complaints are thoroughly investigated.

“The bottom line in safety is: you can’t afford to be wrong,” Bridges said.

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Horticulture therapy benefits students, disabled

Jeana Lawrence

staff writer

When walking around campus, students may be aware of the beauty of blooming floral beds and neatly trimmed shrubbery, but what they might not be aware of is that plant life has an effect on their own physical health and the health of others. That message is not lost on the horticultural therapy program students and faculty at K-State who study the effect.

"Horticulture therapy is using plants, nature and gardening to work with patients that have disabilities or in treatment," said Candice Shoemaker, program director of the department of horticulture, forestry and recreation resources for the K-State Division of Continuing Education. "It's like music therapy, or art therapy or physical therapy."

The program started in 1971 when the Menninger clinic in Topeka asked the university to create a program that would help patients with mental disabilities, said Richard Mattson, professor in horticulture. The Topeka Menninger clinic, founded in 1925, is a world-renowned mental hospital, and at the time offered internships for K-State students. Since 1971, the Menninger clinic has moved from Topeka. It is now stationed in Houston, Texas.

Although the clinic moved, the study program remained at K-State. Eventually, the undergraduate program was phased out in favor of an online master's degree program in 1979. A doctoral program was added in 1981.

"We're the only university to offer a master's degree in horticulture therapy," Mattson said.

The switch to an online program came after careful investigation into the current program enrollment," Shoemaker said.

"We looked at who was our prospective student," Shoemaker said. "The majority of people who were enrolling were non-traditional



Two patients from the Big Lakes Development Center transplant different varieties of tomato plants Friday in the Throckmorton greenhouses. Studies have shown that plants have a beneficial effect on a person's general well-being and reduce stress.

students, people who were career changers and were middle-aged. They weren't going to move to K-State to get a degree and we saw a need for an online graduate program."

Currently, Shoemaker and Mattson are the only faculty members for the graduate program. Around 21 students have graduated from the program, and it currently enrolls four students.

The low number of current students does not accurately reflect the number of interested students, Shoemaker said.

"More students apply than what I can take," Shoemaker said. "I have to take only 20 to 30 percent of the students that apply, which is hard because so many want to come here and study it."

Shoemaker said that enrollment was good despite only having four

students and that the students gain valuable hands-on experience.

"These opportunities came around rarely," Mattson said. "You don't get the hands-on experience in other classes."

Currently, Big Lakes Developmental Center, a program that assists developmentally disabled Manhattan residents, is involved with the horticulture therapy program. Big Lakes Developmental

Center has been involved with the program for several years, according to Shawn Funk, community educator for Big Lakes. Twice a week, eight clients work in the K-State greenhouses for several hours.

"Statistics have shown that gardening is beneficial," Funk said. "Any time that they're doing some-

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Non-profit center Will of Stone serves Manhattan kids, families

Morgan Huelsman

staff writer

For Manhattan residents with physical and mental challenges such as Down syndrome, autism, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder or speech and language deficits, therapy and assistance is now available at a new location.

The Will of Stone Therapeutic Learning Center, 1133 College Ave., opened earlier this year, and has since begun offering assistance such in speech, occupational and physical therapy.

"The non-for-profit organizations wanted to have a clinic or school in town that all of these children with different needs could have all of their services in one place," said Katie Palenzuela, speech language pathologist and clinic

director.

The name Will of Stone Therapeutic Learning Center was inspired by two local boys — Will Porter and Stone Wolford. Will has autism, and Stone has Cardio-Facio-Cutaneous Syndrome, a rare genetic disorder. A local nonprofit, Autism Meets Optimism, was founded in honor of Porter, and the No Stone Unturned Foundation was created in Wolford's honor. Both of these organizations helped create the Will of Stone Therapeutic Learning Center. Mathis Rehab Centers also assisted.

At the center, therapists work together through an interdisciplinary team approach known as the "best new practice" to therapy and rehabilitation. The interdisciplinary team approach allows a group of health care professionals

from different fields to work in the same place to increase levels and quality of patient care.

This new team approach not only provides cost-effective client care, but also allows for all of the services to be in one location. This can reduce medical costs and cut down on travel time and distance.

The center focuses on assisting children from as old as a few months to around middle school age who have any of a series of mental or physical disabilities. The amount of time a child attends Will of Stone depends on the severity of the disability and whether they feel the need to keep learning there.

"Every kid develops different, so our mind set is that

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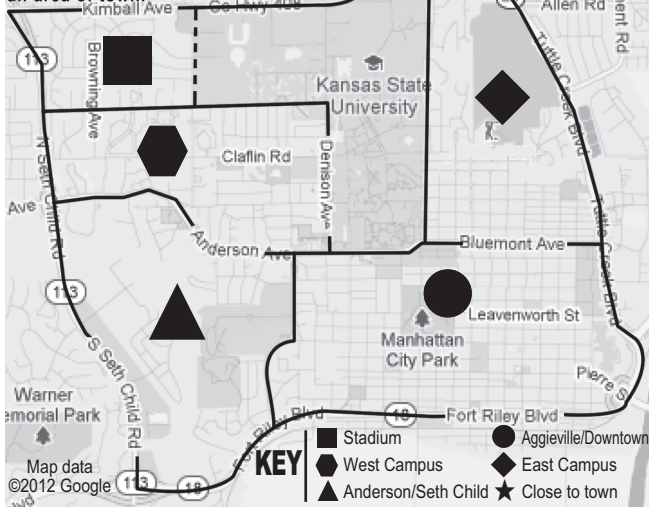
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PLANTS | Gardening, working with plants has proven health benefits

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thing productive is helpful.” Besides providing therapeutic activities, the program also offers health benefits. Mattson has studied the effects of plants on individuals by measuring heart rate, temperature and brain waves. His studies have shown that being around plants, or the action of gardening, can lower heart rates and body temperatures. It has also been shown that being around plants and/or gardening reduces stress. Horticulture therapy is not just for the mentally disabled, either. Shoemaker gave the example of a patient who had a stroke and needed to learn how to work his hand again. To regain his mobility, he started picking up pennies and putting them in a jar for a few hours. With horticulture therapy, this patient could pick up seeds and plant them instead. “It’s the same motion,”

Shoemaker said. “But you’ve accomplished something. It’s intrinsic motivation. You got something when you’re finished.” Besides health benefits, horticulture therapy also brings students closer to those who have mental disabilities. “For some students, it’s their first time interacting with the disabled population,” Shoemaker said. “The clients [are] so welcoming and appreciative of what the students do. It’s just a different environment from the every day.” Gardening and planting can also benefit those individuals without any sort of disabilities. Shoemaker said that being around plants, while in the office or walking around campus, can be beneficial and helps reduce stress. “Unplug and just look at the trees,” Shoemaker said. “Really pay attention and you’ll probably feel better than what’s playing on your iPod.”

WILL | Wildcat for Charity events fund center

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we are going to treat each child as an individual and give them what they need at the time that they need it,” Palenzuela said. The learning center also strives to help families while their children receive the support and therapy they need. Will of Stone holds parent support groups and provides both parent advocates who can help provide guidance and advice and individuals who coordinate with the families’ healthcare and service providers. “We really wanted to help families access services, understand and help them through the process so they don’t feel alone,” said Melinda Wolford, co-founder and president of No Stone Unturned and Stone’s mother. Eric Wolford, a K-State alumnus, past K-State football player and Stone’s father, was one of the reasons this therapeutic learning center developed in Manhattan. Using their university connections, the Wolfords created the fundraiser Wildcats for Charity to help raise money for the Will of Stone center. Wildcats for Charity is a weekend event that consists of a charity auction and dinner, and a full day of golfing at the Colbert Hills Golf Course. The next Wildcats for Charity will be July 12-13. The event accepts donations, which are crucial to keeping the non-profit open. “We need donations,” Wolford said. “We aren’t trying to make a profit; we just want to help families.” As the learning center is in its first year, there is still room for growth. They hope to develop connections with students and research centers through K-State to improve the learning center. “We hope to be a place where we can have student interns,” Palenzuela said. “We are hoping we can create a tight-knit relationship with Kansas State so we can provide a kind of exposure and training that up and coming providers need before they enter this field.” With the potential for

connections to be made between the center and K-State, the opportunities for idea exchange and growth are present, said Marilyn Kaff, associate professor in special education. “I think it can do a number of different things,” Kaff said. “I see them as filling a real void in terms of providing some services and supports that aren’t as readily available in the Manhattan community.” While many are excited for the new services, some are already looking to the future. “We are very excited about the possibility of what could happen with Will of Stone,” Kaff said.



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